



FDA Recalls Hand Sanitizers

On June 19, the U.S Food and Drug Administration (FDA) advised against the use of any hand sanitizer manufactured by Eskbiochem SA de CV in Mexico, due to the potential presence of methanol (wood alcohol). Methanol is toxic when absorbed through the skin or ingested. Methanol is not an acceptable ingredient for hand sanitizers due to its toxic effects.

The FDA has identified the following products manufactured by Eskbiochem:

- All-Clean Hand Sanitizer (NDC: 74589-002-01)
- Esk Biochem Hand Sanitizer (NDC: 74589-007-01)
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 75% Alcohol (NDC: 74589-008-04)
- Lavar 70 Gel Hand Sanitizer (NDC: 74589-006-01)
- The Good Gel Antibacterial Gel Hand Sanitizer (NDC: 74589-010-10)
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 80% Alcohol (NDC: 74589-005-03)
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 75% Alcohol (NDC: 74589-009-01)
- CleanCare NoGerm Advanced Hand Sanitizer 80% Alcohol (NDC: 74589-003-01)
- Saniderm Advanced Hand Sanitizer (NDC: 74589-001-01)

Substantial methanol exposure can result in nausea, vomiting, headache, blurred vision, permanent blindness, seizures, coma, and permanent damage to the nervous system or death.

Anyone using these products on their hands is at risk. The risk for methanol poisoning is highest for young children who accidentally ingest or persons who drink these products as an alcohol (ethanol) substitute.

Anyone who has used hand sanitizer containing methanol should seek immediate treatment to reverse the potentially toxic effects of methanol poisoning.

Remember to wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the bathroom; before eating; and after coughing, sneezing, or blowing your nose. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 % ethanol or 70 % isopropanol.



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Source: [FDA Warning on Hand Sanitizer Containing Methanol](#)